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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information recording medium includes a reproduction-dedicated area (160) where first recording information (60-1, etc.) is recorded in such a manner that its reproduction will not be disabled when it is reproduced, and a number-of-reproductions limit area (150) where second recording information (50-1, etc.) is recorded in such a manner that its reproduction will be disabled when a predetermined number of reproductions are performed. The second recording information (50-1, etc.) is correlated with the first recording information (60-1, etc.).